FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. S. 481, as Amended

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TO: The Honorable Leon Howard, Chairman, House Medical, Military, Public and Municipal

Affairs Committee

FROM: Office of State Budget, Budget and Control Board

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SUBJECT: Organ and Tissue Donor Program

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

Minimal (Some additional costs expected but can be absorbed)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

A Cost of Federal and/or Other Funds (See Below)

BILL SUMMARY:

Senate Bill 481, as amended, amends the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, by adding Section 24-1-280 which establishes a organ and tissue donor program within the South Carolina Department of Corrections. The Bill would require the agency to work with the appropriate medical authorities to develop and maintain policies and procedures to allow voluntary participation in the donor program.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

Department of Corrections

The Department indicates this Bill will have a minimal impact on the General Fund of the State, which can be absorbed by the agency at the current level of funding.

Medical University of South Carolina and University of South Carolina School of Medicine

Agencies estimate the costs of producing bone marrow information brochures at \$1 per brochure. There are approximately 22,000 adult inmates in the corrections system. Assuming brochures were handed out to 50 percent of the inmates the cost would \$11,000.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

None.

SPECIAL NOTES:

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None.

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